

TOWN OF CALLICOON
Regular Town Board Meeting
Monday, April 8, 2013

The Town Board, Town of Callicoon, County of Sullivan, State of New York, at the Town Hall, Jeffersonville, NY, held a Regular Town Board Meeting on April 8, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. with the following present:

Supervisor T. Bose, Councilman D. Kuebler, Councilman H. Fuchs, Councilman C. Schadt, and Councilman S. Gaebel.

Also Present:

Marvin Newberg, Attorney for the Town

Janet Brahm, Town Clerk

Kim Klein, Deputy Town Clerk

Joe Anne Baker, Bookkeeper

Kevin Zieres, Code Enforcement Officer

Gregg Semenez, Assistant Code Enforcement Officer

Kris Scullion, Highway Superintendent

Audience: As Attached

Supervisor Bose called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:30 p.m.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2013, Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

Financial Reports

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to accept the Monthly Statement of the Supervisor. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt to accept the Town Clerk (\$747.75) and the Code Enforcement (\$220.00) reports as read. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

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On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Schadt, to pay the bills as follows:

General A Fund	- Vouchers # 103 - 127	\$ 7,493.37
General B Fund	- Vouchers # 11 - 13	853.15
Highway DA	- Vouchers # 38 - 52	79,931.88
Highway DB	- Vouchers # 2 - 4	19,728.38
Water District	- Vouchers # 13 - 16	2,599.32

Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

Warrants

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to approve the March Payroll Checks #21225 - 21241 & the Direct Deposit in the amount of \$39,480.98. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to approve the March Trust & Agency checks #4883 - 4888 & the Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$84,490.45. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

Reports

Highway Superintendent, Kris Scullion wants to remind the Public that the Clean up will begin on May 3, 4, 5, & 6th from 7:00am to 6:00pm., and the same rules apply. He also reports that we will be getting an increase with the CHIPS money from the New York State budget. Councilman Schadt asked about the bench that was moved when they paved the handicap parking lot. Kris will bring it down from the Town Barn. On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to approve the purchase of the Morbark Chipper from Marshall Machinery for the amount of \$21,204.45. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

Code Enforcement Officer, Kevin Zieres reports that there are not to many permits right now, but maybe with the nice weather they will hopefully get busy. He also reports that they attended a class this month that covered the regulations/compliance of the American Disability Act. There was a discussion about all the litter on the roads. Assistant Code Enforcement Officer, Gregg Semenetz noted that he feels building will pick up for the Town of Callicoon. Bethel and Cochection are doing well and he believes it will be a trickle down effect.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Public Comments included a question on whether there were any agenda items that were not on the agenda.

Business Items

The bids for the sand, stone & asphalt, and pipe were opened and tabled to the May meeting.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to appoint the Hauling Bid for the Spring and Fall Clean up to Jeff Sanitation in the amount of \$250.00 per pull for trash to Monticello and \$225.00 per pull for the metal, and the Town will get the check for the recycling. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

The bids for the mowing at the Town Hall and the Town Park were opened and tabled to the May meeting.

RES #13-2013, on a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to accept the Court audit report. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

The Supervisor asked the Board to go through and read the Employee Handbook and bring their questions to the May meeting.

The Supervisor discussed the generator at the Town Barn. There has been a lot of problems with the generator so they have asked another vendor to come and look at it and depending on the outcome they may have to move it to the Town Hall due to it may be undersized. If that is the case they may have to purchase a new generator for the Town Barn. After meeting with the new company, Kris will have to get prices if that is the case.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt to appoint Fred Fries to Senior of the Year. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

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The Supervisor opened the meeting for public comment on the Comprehensive Plan Review Panel. The following Public Comments were included, extending the sign up for the panel to the May meeting, the number of members for the panel, what is the charge of the committee, discussing other issues other than gas drilling, including concerns of the County Review, will the Agriculture and Farm Land Protection Plan be discussed, language of the Comprehensive plan, criteria for being on the panel, vision of the people of the Town, why make a new committee to make changes, the job of the Comprehensive Plan, how will the members be chosen, consensus or majority, open meeting law, using a weighted committee not a balanced committee, new committee or using previous committee, the Board taking responsibility in making the changes, reviewing the Farmland Protection Plan, quality of life, the government and passing laws without American input, changes in the Comprehensive Plan and the process, removing positive references to gas drilling and man-camps in the Comp Plan, preserving rural character, the board and the residents working together, and if farmers keep going out there won't be any open land.

The Supervisor asked Councilman Schadt to look into prices for finishing the kitchen area at the Town Park Pavillion. Councilman Kuebler stated that he may know of someone getting rid of a kitchen and that he would help in looking into the pricing.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to accept the proposal of AT Contracting, for repairs on the Youngsville Water District Filtration Building, in the amount of \$9,600.00. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

The Supervisor noted that he and the Assessor, Bonnie Hubert, met with members of IDA and discussed economic development, programs available, and tax abatements. A joint workshop with the Town of Callicoon Board members, the Village of Jeffersonville Board and members of the IDA will be planned for some time in May.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt to approve September 14, 15, & 16, 2013, as the dates for the Fall Clean up and also the dates for the Shred Day which will be sponsored by the Town of Callicoon and the Jeff Bank. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

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Open Floor

Linda Reik did a presentation on examining the feasibility of converting New York State to all electric power using wind, water, and sunlight.

A resident had concerns about a wetlands going in on Dietz Road.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm. Motion Passed - 5 Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Brahm
Town Clerk

Kim Klein
Deputy Town Clerk